PATENT APPLICATION Do. No. 1981-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Andrew M. PERRY

Serial No. 08/689,721

Examiner: R. Luebke

Filed: August 12, 1996

Group Art Unit: 2832

For: DEVICE FOR SUSPENDING A RECORDER AND A METHOD FOR

USING THE SAME

Date: June 21, 1999

Box Non-Fee Amendment Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 19, 1999, enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
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| For: | Number After Amendment | Previous Number | Extra | Rate | Additional Fee | |
| Total Claims | 3 * | -20* | 0 | x \$9 = | \$0 | |
| Independent Claims | 2 | -3** | 0 | x \$39 = | \$0 | |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | \$0 | |

^{*}greater of twenty (20) or number for which fee has been paid

| [] | Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response. | The extension fee is |
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A check for \$ is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 8.

Amend the claims as follows:

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(Amended) A method of assembling a device suitable for suspending from a user's neck a recorder having a shaft and a mouthpiece, the method comprising the steps of: procuring a strap suitable for hanging around the user's neck;

procuring a ring having a cylindrical inner surface of a fixed diameter, the diameter being such that the ring fits snugly around the shaft of the recorder below the mouthpiece; and

attaching the strap to the ring by tying a knot.

Add new claims as follows:

recorder, the recorder having a distal end and a proximate end, the recorder having a mouthpiece at the proximate end, the recorder having a juncture point between the proximate

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